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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/713,927	Applicant(s) STRATICO ET AL.	
	Examiner Evan H. Langdon	Art Unit 3654	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 17 May 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3, 8, 9, 14-16, 22, 23 and 28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 4-7, 10-13, 17 and 24-27 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-3, 8, 9, 14-16, 22, 23 and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kajita (2002/0047065 A1).

Kajita discloses an apparatus for disposing a wire lead W along a trajectory having predetermined positional references relative to a dynamo-electric machine component 1 comprising:

a wire lead source 32, 33;

a wire lead manipulator 11, 12, 13 having a longitudinal axis 13 comprising first 15 and second 15a portions and configured to dispose the wire lead along the trajectory at the predetermined positional references (as seen in Figure 1 and 7), the first portion 15 being configured to receive the wire lead from the wire lead source, the second portion 15a being configured to engage the wire lead received within the first portion 15; and

wherein a distal end of the wire lead manipulator exclusively enters a first plane in which the wire lead is to be disposed (dashed lines in Figure 1).

In regards to claim 2, Kajita discloses the first plane is substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal axis 13.

In regards to claim 3, Kajita discloses the distal end of the wire lead manipulator comprises a terminal end of the second portion 15a.

In regards to claim 8, Kajita discloses the wire lead manipulator is configured to be disposed adjacent a second plane from which the wire lead source dispenses the wire lead to receive the wire lead, the second plane being substantially parallel to the longitudinal axis (embodiment of Figure 8).

In regards to claim 9, the wire lead manipulator is pressed against the wire source to receive the wire.

In regards to claim 14, Kajita discloses the wire lead source 32, 33 is a wire dispensing needle configured to wind wire coils onto the dynamo-electric machine component.

With respect to claims 15, 16, 22, 23 and 28, the method described in these claims would inherently result from the use of wire manipulator of Kajita as advanced above.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 4-7, 10-13, 17-21 and 24-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Response to Arguments

In response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., wire lead entering a plane of the stator) are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are

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interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993). The discloses a wire lead manipulator 11, 12, 13 entering *a plane* where that is perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the wire manipulator and the wire is disposed from the wire manipulator in that plane (Kijita, paragraph 35).

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Evan H. Langdon whose telephone number is (571)272-6948. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kathy Matecki can be reached on (571) 272-6951. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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